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FRANKFURT FOR GAO EDER; ALL POSTS INFORM RSO'S

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AGAO, ASEC, PINS

SUBJECT: GAO REVIEW: "EFFECTIVENESS OF COUNTER-TERRORISM MEASURES."

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED BY GAO OF THEIR INTENTION TO INITIATE SUBJECT REVIEW IN WASHINGTON AND AT ADDRESSEE POSTS. FOCUS OF THIS REVIEW WILL BE THE READINESS OF U.S. EMBASSIES TO COUNTER TERRORIST ACTIONS; THE EXTENT OF SUPPORT THEY EXPECTED AND RECEIVED FROM HOST COUNTRIES, AND CONFIDENTIAL

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THEIR(HOST COUNTRY) EXPERIENCE AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR INTERNATIONALLY PROTECTED PERSONS AND PROPERTY. GAO WILL WANT TO MEET WITH THE SECURITY WATCH COMMITTEE AND TO OBTAIN FROM ADMIN OFFICER COST DATA ON SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS. THEY WILL ALSO WANT TO MEET WITH HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS THE PROTECTION AFFORDED NATIONALS OF OTHER COUNTRIES. PROTECTION OF BUSINESS PERSONS AND

PRIVATE CITIZENS IS EXCLUDED FROM THIS REVIEW.

- 2. GAS WASHINGTON HAS BEEN BRIEFED BY THE OFFICE OF SECURITY AND THE OFFICE OF THE COORDINATOR FOR COMBATTING TERRORISM. THEY HAVE ALSO BEEN BRIEFED BY DOD AND CIA.
- 3. GAO TEAM FROM THEIR EUROPEAN BRANCH IN FRANKFURT WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN WORK APPROXIMATELY APRIL 1 SUBJECT TO THE

CONCURRENCE OF THE EMBASSIES. PLEASE ADVISE WITH INFO COPY TO FRANKFURT FOR GAO EDER.

- 4. PRESENT PLANS CALL FOR GAO TO SPEND FROM TWO TO THREE WEEKS EACH IN ATHENS, BONN AND ROME. THEY PLAN TO SPEND ONLY A FEW DAYS EACH IN LONDON AND TEHRAN. EXACT DATES AND NAMES AND SECURITY CLEARANCES OF AUDITORS WILL BE COMMUNICATED BY GAO FRANKFURT AFTER EMBASSY CONCURRENCE IS RECEIVED.
- 5. GAO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR JOSEPH DIGIORGIO AND SUPER-VISORY AUDITOR LOUIS ZANARDI WILL VISIT EACH POST EITHER AT THE START OF OR DURING THE COURSE OF THE TEAM VISIT. DEPARTMENT WILL ADVISE EXACT DATES WHEN KNOWN. DEPART-MENT CERTIFIES THAT MESSRS. DIGIORGIO AND ZANARDI POSSESS CURRENT TOP SECRET SECURITY CLEARANCES.

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6. DEPARTMENT WISHES TO COOPERATE WITH GAO IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDELINES IN 4 FAM 930-934. GAO IS AWARE THAT CONTACTS WITH HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE AMBASSADOR, TO BE ARRANGED FOR BY THE EMBASSY, AND AN EMBOFF TO ACCOMPANY, IF FEASIBLE. VANCE

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